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Gentlemen

Enclosed are minutes from the January 9, 1995, meeting on the Operable Unit (OU)  
No 5 Contaminants of Concern (COC) Technical Memorandum (TM) No 11  
comments

The comment response sheets and copies of viewgraphs are also attached to the  
meeting minutes. The revised professional judgement sections and revised Appendix  
A for the OU 5 COC TM will be included in the Final COC TM

If there are any comments or questions, please call Kurt Muenchow at 966-2184

Sincerely,

  
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**Meeting Date/Time:** January 9, 1995/0830

**Meeting Location:** Advanced Sciences, Inc (ASI), Lakewood, CO

**Meeting Subject:** Resolution of Comment Responses on Contaminants of Concern (COC) TM, Operable Unit No 5, Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site

<b>Attendees:</b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Affiliation</u></b>
	Carol Bicher	EG&G
	Win Chromec	EG&G
	Robert Cygnarowicz	EG&G
	Doug Dennison	ASI
	Mary Lee Hogg	ICF Kaiser
	Scott Hollowell	EG&G
	Mike Kelly	Dames & Moore
	Bonnie Lavelle	EPA
	Theresa Lopez	PRC
	Diane Niedzwiecki	CDPHE
	Rotha Randall	EG&G
	Mary Siders	EG&G
	Steve Slaten	DOE/RFFO
	Carl Spreng	CDPHE

Copies of materials that handed out during this meeting were the comment response sheets (Attachment 3), the viewgraphs (Attachment 4), the revised Appendix A, and revised professional judgement sections for each medium. Copies of the latter two items are not attached, but will be copied to the Administrative Record.

**Introduction-** C Bicher restated the purpose of this meeting, the critical nature of the schedule for finalizing the COC TM, and presented the meeting agenda (Attachment 2)

**A Open Issues from December 7, 1994 Data Aggregation Meeting**

- 1 C Bicher** - Discussed the open issues from the December 7, 1994 data aggregation meeting. The first issue concerns CDPHE's agreement to address the Surface Disturbance West of IHSS 209 in the uncertainty analysis portion of the risk assessment. Discussed that in phone conversation with Joe Schieffelin, he indicated that he agreed with this approach.

- D Niedzwiecki** - Confirmed that she had a similar discussion with Joe Schieffelin in which he also stated agreement with this approach
- 2 **C. Bicher**- The second issue concerns CDPHE's agreement to the streamlined risk assessment approach to the Original Landfill (IHSS 115/196) resulting from the presumptive remedy approach. Discussed that in a phone conversation with Joe Schieffelin, he indicated that, if the presumptive remedy is the appropriate approach for the Original Landfill, he agreed with the streamlined risk assessment
- D. Niedzwiecki** - Confirmed that she had a similar discussion with Joe Schieffelin in which he also stated agreement with the streamlined risk assessment
- C Bicher** - Discussed that it appears, however, that it may be more prudent to continue with a traditional baseline risk assessment (BRA) for IHSS 115/196 due to the cost and time required to adjust the risk assessment at this point in the process
- B. Lavelle** - Stated that she did not feel that this approach is appropriate. If MCLs are exceeded, there is no need for a traditional BRA
- B Cygnarowicz** - Explained that new geologic characterization work has indicated that there is the potential that a fault exists in the area of the Original Landfill which may preclude the presumptive remedy approach. It may be more prudent to proceed with the traditional BRA and analysis of remedial alternatives until such time it is determined whether a fault exists and, if it does, how it may impact remedial decisions
- B Lavelle** - Discussed that the risk assessment needs to answer two questions: 1) Do we need to do anything to remediate a site? and 2) If so, what drives the risk at the site? It may be helpful for the Feasibility Study (FS) to analyze other alternatives
- B Cygnarowicz** - Discussed that the RI and FS teams will begin to work more closely together and discuss potential remedial alternatives
- D. Niedzwiecki** - Stated that Joe Schieffelin has expressed a desire to allow some flexibility in risk analysis
- M L. Hogg** - Questioned whether analysis of residential exposure at the Original Landfill could be viewed as a bounding risk
- B. Lavelle** - Stated that EPA Region VIII would rather look at a reasonable maximum exposure. We need to look at realistic exposure scenarios

**D. Niedzwiecki** - Questioned whether a risk assessment is really necessary at the Original Landfill

**W. Chromec** - Stated that due to uncertainties regarding the presumptive remedies at the landfill, it would be better to proceed with a traditional BRA

**M. Siders** - Discussed how stratigraphic marker beds have been used to identify potential faults. Discussed the investigation of a fault in OU7 using trenching and that any investigation of potential faults requires trenching or borings

**C. Bicher** - Discussed that the geotechnical drilling project ongoing at the Original Landfill will provide additional information for identification of potential faults

**B. Cygnarowicz** - Restated that the presumptive remedy is still a remedial option for the Original Landfill but may not be the only option. In order to address all possible scenarios, some additional effort spent on the BRA now may result in less time expended overall

**C. Bicher** - Stated that the most conservative approach would be to proceed with the BRA

**B. Lavelle** - Agreed that this would be the most prudent approach but desires that the most reasonable maximum exposure scenario(s) be considered. If a residential scenario is reasonable, it should be included

**B. Cygnarowicz** - Stated that the presumptive remedy report will include a DSA-level analysis of alternatives

**B. Lavelle** - Questioned whether planned exposure scenarios for the Original Landfill are included in the revised draft final Exposure Assessment TM (EATM)

**C. Bicher** - Stated that the revised draft final EATM does address exposure scenarios for the Original Landfill

**B. Lavelle** - Questioned whether anyone from EPA is working with EG&G on the identification of potential faults

**C. Bicher** - Stated that she would contact Connie Dodge, EG&G, to determine whether anyone from EPA is currently involved with this project

**B. Cygnarowicz** - Discussed the result of the trenching performed in OU7. Stated that wells near the trench were dry, but when the trench was constructed water was found

within the fracture Discussed that similar conditions could be present in OU5 and that the potential exists for a contaminant migration pathway

- 3 C Bicher - Discussed the remaining open issue which concerns the amount of surface water and sediment data that have been included in the data set evaluated for OU5

D. Dennison - Confirmed the discussions from the December 7, 1994 meeting that, to a limited extent, data from site-wide programs and other OUs was used. Data that was collected from these programs during the same time span as the OU5 sampling program was used

**B Comments on Draft Final COC TM**

- 1 D Dennison - Discussed the approach used in responding to comments received from EPA and CDPHE on the draft final COC TM This approach consisted of addressing each of the agency's comments on comment response forms (Attachment 3) and providing revised text for those sections dealing with the selection of PCOCs (see Attachment 4 for the viewgraphs which summarize the text revisions) This approach was used because the selection of PCOCs is the area where most discussion occurs Once the PCOCs have been selected, the determination of COCs is relatively straight forward

B. Lavelle/D. Niedzwiecki - Stated that they would like to review the comment responses for a few days before stating agreement to the responses

M Kelly - Discussed the comments received from EPA and CDPHE specific to the concentration toxicity screens The responses to these comments are provided in Attachment 3 Discussions specific to particular comments is provided below

B Lavelle - In regard to EPA's comment concerning the cancer slope factor (CSF) for arsenic (second comment on Page 1 of 8, Attachment 3), questioned what is the issue

M L. Hogg - The CSF recommended by EPA, 50 (milligrams per kilogram-day)<sup>1</sup>, is appropriate for use in forward calculations of risk, but the value of 15 (milligrams per kilogram-day)<sup>1</sup> used in the COC TM is more appropriate for use in concentration toxicity screening This is due to the fact that absorption cannot be easily addressed in the concentration toxicity screen

B. Lavelle - Stated that she would consult EPA's toxicologist, Dr Chris Weiss, regarding this issue

**M. Kelly** - Discussed the response to EPA's comment regarding the treatment of potential COCs without toxicity values. This response proposes that these chemicals will be addressed in the uncertainty analysis portion of the risk assessment.

**B. Lavelle/D. Niedzwiecki** - Agreed with this approach.

- 2 **D. Dennison** - Discussed the statistical evaluation of data and the identification of PCOCs (See Attachment 4 for details of this discussion). Discussed that, in response to comments received from EPA and CDPHE, the professional judgement (i.e., spatial, temporal, and geochemical evaluations) step was now performed prior to the concentration toxicity screens. Also discussed that the statistical analysis of the data was reevaluated to address the issue of detection frequency (if less than 20% detected values were present in either the background or OU5 data sets, no statistical test was performed) and to confirm the conclusions made previously based on this analysis.

**B. Lavelle** - Questioned whether the 20% detected values criteria for the performance of the statistical tests is consistent with Dr. Gilbert's recommendations.

**D. Dennison** - Stated that, in his letter report, Dr. Gilbert does not recommend a minimum frequency of detection for the performance of all statistical tests but does have such criteria for some of the individual statistical tests. Also stated that Dr. Gilbert and many other authors generally recommend that a greater frequency of detection, in the range of 40 to 50%, is necessary to get valid results from most statistical tests. Stated that the Gehan Test appears to give suspect results when there is a large number of non-detects. Reiterated that when data were lacking to justify the elimination of a particular constituent as a PCOC, a conservative approach was used, and the constituent was retained for further evaluation. Presented the results of the statistical evaluations for each medium as discussed below (see Attachment 4 for detail).

#### Surface Soils

No discussion regarding the statistical evaluations.

#### Subsurface Soils

**B. Lavelle** - Discussed that manganese is considered to be an essential nutrient by EPA if the concentration does not exceed the recommended daily allowance. Stated that this argument could be used to eliminate manganese as a COC, if necessary.

#### Groundwater

No discussion regarding the statistical evaluations.

### **Surface Water**

No discussion regarding the statistical evaluations

### **Seep Water**

No discussion regarding the statistical evaluations

### **Pond Sediments**

No discussion regarding the statistical evaluations

### **Seep Sediments**

No discussion regarding the statistical evaluations

### **Stream Sediments**

**M.L. Hogg** - Questioned whether the relatively high result for tritium in a sample from the South Interceptor Ditch (SID) was qualified

**D. Dennison** - Stated that he would check the qualifiers for this sample (Subsequent to this meeting, the qualifiers were checked. The sample was qualified by the validation contractor as being acceptable with the following qualifications - 1 Replicate precision criteria were not met, 2 Lab control samples > +/- 3 sigma, and 3 tSIE criteria were not met )

- 3 **D. Dennison** - Discussed the approach used in revising the COC TM in response to comments received from EPA and CDPHE regarding professional judgement. Stated that the COC TM was revised to reference TM15 which has numerous maps and other figures that support the discussions of PCOCs. Also reiterated that the professional judgement sections of the COC TM were moved to the beginning of the sections of the TM discussing each medium. Also stated that, as with the statistical evaluation, a conservative approach was used in applying professional judgement. In the absence of adequate evidence to support the elimination of a chemical as a PCOC, the chemical was retained. Stated that essential nutrients, calcium, iron, magnesium, potassium, and sodium, were eliminated as PCOCs for all media. Presented the results of the professional judgement evaluation for each medium as discussed below (see Attachment 4 for details)

### **Surface Soils**

No discussion regarding professional judgement.

### **Subsurface Soils**

No discussion regarding professional judgement

### **Groundwater**

**D. Dennison** - Discussed that the limited number of groundwater samples precludes meaningful spatial and temporal evaluations of the data

**M. Siders** - Recommended that the number of samples (N) represented by the data presented on Table 5-1 be included in the table

### **Surface Water**

**B Lavelle** - Questioned how many samples were averaged for the information presented on Figure 6-1

**D. Dennison** - Stated that at each sampling location, two low-flow and one high-flow sampling events were represented

**B Lavelle** - Stated that patterns of data during low and high flows will be discussed further in the EE

### **Seep Water**

**D Dennison** - Stated that no chemicals were identified as being present in concentrations exceeding background by the statistical analysis, therefore, no professional judgement was employed

### **Pond Sediments**

No discussion regarding professional judgement

### **Seep Sediments**

No discussion regarding professional judgement



### **Stream Sediments**

No discussion regarding professional judgement

- 4     **C. Bicher** - Stated that it was assumed that EPA and CDPHE would like to have time to review the comment responses and questioned the time-frame for receiving comments from the agencies

**B. Lavelle** - Stated that EPA would try to respond by Friday, January 13, or Tuesday, January 16

**B. Lavelle** - Questioned whether the revisions to the COC TM will affect the CDPHE letter report

**C. Bicher/M. Kelly** - Stated that, at this time, these changes are not expected to affect the CDPHE letter report

**Summary** - The following action items resulted from this meeting

- 1     Carol Bicher, EG&G, agreed to contact Connie Dodge, EG&G, to determine if anyone from EPA is participating in the identification of potential faults
- 2     Bonnie Lavelle, EPA, agreed to contact Dr. Chris Weiss, EPA, regarding the appropriate slope factor to be used in the concentration toxicity screen for arsenic
- 3     EPA and CDPHE agreed to review the responses to their comments on the COC TM and provide any additional comments

**ATTACHMENT 2**

**MEETING AGENDA  
COC TM COMMENT RESPONSE  
OPERABLE UNIT NO. 5**

**January 9, 1995 8:30 a.m.  
Advanced Sciences, Inc.  
Lakewood, Colorado**

**INTRODUCTION ..... C. BICHER, EG&G  
D. DENNISON, ASI**

**MEETING MINUTES FROM DEC. 7, 1994 DATA  
AGGREGATION MEETING ..... C. BICHER, EG&G**

**OPEN ISSUES FROM DEC. 7, 1994 DATA  
AGGREGATION MEETING ..... C. BICHER, EG&G**

- Streamlined Approach to IHSS 115/196 Risk Assessment
- Proposal to Address Surface Disturbance West of IHSS 209  
in Uncertainty Analysis
- Determination if additional surface-water and/or sediment data  
are available from other OUs

**DISCUSSION OF COMMENTS ON DRAFT FINAL COC TM**

- Response to General Comments & Comments on Concentration-  
Toxicity Screens ..... M. KELLY, DAMES & MOORE
- Response to Comments on Statistical Evaluations  
of Data ..... D. DENNISON, ASI
- Response to Comments on Professional Judgement  
Sections of TM ..... D. DENNISON, ASI

**DISCUSSION**

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ITEM M G or M	PAGE	SECTION OR STEP	COMMENT	RESOLUTION	Resolution accepted DATE
M	2-1	2 1	This section should include summary tables of descriptive statistics for all data used to select COCs. The summary tables should include the range of reporting limits, frequency of detection, minimum non-detect value, maximum non-detect value, minimum and maximum detected values, mean concentrations and upper 95 percent confidence limit concentrations. This information is needed to evaluate detection limits and assess the range of detected values to determine if the data adequately characterize the site.	The risk assessment will use 95% UCLs for the highest AOC grid placement and an AOC wide 95% UCL. Therefore OU-wide 95% UCLs have not been calculated and will not be used in the risk assessment.	
M	2-7	Table 2-1	The inhalation cancer slope factor (CSF) for arsenic is incorrect. The correct value is 50 (micrograms per kilogram-day) <sup>-1</sup> because the CSF was derived assuming a 30 percent bioavailability via lung tissue. A memorandum explaining the conversion of unit risk to CSF for arsenic is enclosed with this review. The value of 50 should be used in the concentration toxicity screen (CTS) for soil and sediment.	This issue has been informally discussed with EPA. The current CSF for arsenic will be maintained pending a programmatic decision by DOE.	

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M	2-12	Second Paragraph	<p>This paragraph states that only the oral noncarcinogenic toxicity value for nickel was used in the CTS for ground water and that nickel was not considered a carcinogen. Nickel is classified as a known human carcinogen (Class A). For this screening analysis, the most conservative toxicity value should be used according to EPA's Risk Assessment for Superfund, Part A. Nickel should be evaluated as a carcinogen.</p>
			<p>In researching this issue, the only evidence of nickel use at RFETS is in the form of nickel carbonyl. The nickel carbonyl gas was destroyed by burning, either in the 1957 fire in Building 771 or by explosive charges. One of the locations where this compound was destroyed, IHSS 195 in OU16, is included in the No Further Action Record of Decision for this operable unit. The Final No Further Action Justification Document for OU16 presents a strong case for alleviating concern that nickel exists at RFETS in a potentially carcinogenic form.</p>
			<p>The only forms of nickel known to be carcinogenic are nickel refinery dust and nickel subsulfide via the inhalation route. The limited toxicity information on nickel carbonyl available on RIS indicates that this compound is a probable human carcinogen. This is</p>

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M	2-12	Second Paragraph (continued)		based upon observation of pulmonary carcinomas and malignant tumors at various sites in rats administered nickel carbonyl by inhalation and intravenous injection. Although this compound is suspected of causing lung cancer in humans through the inhalation route, there is inadequate data for human carcinogenicity. The low survival rates for both control and treated animals in the rat studies preclude a quantitative risk estimate, therefore, no toxicity values (either RfD/RfC or slope factors) are available. In addition, several studies summarized in the Hazardous Substance Data Base report that low absorption from the GI tract causes nickel compounds to be essentially nontoxic after ingestion	

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M	2-12	Second Paragraph (continued)		Nickel carbonyl exists as a flammable gas or as a colorless liquid. Nickel carbonyl is highly volatile at room temperature and readily decomposes in the presence of oxygen. In fact, oxidation is so rapid that combustion and/or explosion occur in air. Oxidizing agents rapidly decompose the vapor, liberating carbon monoxide and forming a corresponding nickel salt. The resulting salt will depend on the ambient conditions and available atmospheric compounds present at the time of decomposition. Residual nickel can combine with oxygen in the atmosphere to form very fine-grained nickel oxide. And, under ambient conditions in moist air, it can decompose to form nickel carbonate in the atmosphere at concentrations near the pbb level, nickel carbonyl has a half-life of about 30 minutes.	

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M	2-12	Second Paragraph (continued)		Because of the above physical properties and fate and transport characteristics of nickel carbonyl, it is unlikely that any of this compound remains onsite after 20 years. Therefore, both the inhalation and ingestion routes of exposure to human receptors are incomplete and nickel should not be evaluated as a carcinogen.	
M	2 12	Third Paragraph	This paragraph explains how potential COCs without toxicity values will be evaluated. The text should clearly state that these chemicals will be retained as COCs and evaluated qualitatively in the baseline risk assessment. The CTS results for each medium indicate that chemicals without toxicity values are not COCs. Any chemical without a toxicity value should be retained as a COC and qualitatively evaluated in the baseline risk assessment. These chemicals should be added to the COC list.	A table will be created that identifies PCOCs without toxicity information. The subject PCOCs will then be addressed in the uncertainty analysis in the HHRA.	

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M	A-1	Appendix A. Section A-1	The text should explain how "U" qualified data were evaluated for each medium and for the background data. It should also describe how the blank data were used. The "10 times" and "5 times" rules should have been used to determine whether chemicals detected in both site and blank samples are attributable to blank contamination.	The text of the last bullet of the last paragraph of Section A.1 includes a discussion of how "U" qualified data were evaluated and used for the background comparison. The text of Section A.3 was revised to reflect the fact that the formal statistical tests (i.e., the Gilbert tests) were not performed for background comparisons when greater than 80 percent non-detects were present in either the background or the OU data set. For those situations where the ratio of non-detects was greater than 80 percent, the OU and background data were evaluated qualitatively through the use of graphics and spatial, temporal, and pattern recognition evaluations. This evaluation, in conjunction with the risk-based concentration (RBC) comparison, described in Section 2.7 of the document, were used to identify "hot spot" contaminants that were not attributed as POCs. The cut-off value of 80 percent for non-detects has been used for various Rocky Flats reports and may be, based on a review of recommendations of several evaluations, a relatively high value. Gilbert and Simpson (1987) state that statistical comparisons of data sets where site or both data sets have high non-detect rates or high-value non-detects may not be an invalid use of statistical tests. Helzel (1980) notes "...the falsification of data followed by a 5-fold increase in the probability of detection for site, especially for liquid or environmental sampling procedures, and should be avoided." The "falsification of data" is here construed as "replacement of non-detect data" or censoring the data. Helzel (1980) defines a "small" amount of censoring as less than 20 percent non-detects.	



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M	A-6	Appendix A, Third Paragraph	This paragraph describes the Quantile test used in the background comparison and states "If there were any non-detects among the top 20% of the measurements, no Quantile test was used." This methodology is not consistent with the recommendations of Dr. Richard O. Gilbert in his letter to DOE. In that report, he states "The quantile test can be used... when non-detects are present in one or both of the data sets, but all non-detects are measured in the standard background and (OU) data sets." He further suggests, "When there are multiple non-detects, some of which are greater than the 7th largest measurement the recommended procedure is to rank the combined data sets using the ranking procedure appropriate for the Gaben test."	The text of Appendix A of this document reflects how the Quantile test was applied for OUS and is consistent with "Guide for Conducting Statistical Comparison of PFAS Data and Background Data at Rocky Flats Plant," Appendix A of the August 1994 Final Human Health Risk Assessment Template.	
M	A-6	Appendix A Fourth Paragraph	This paragraph discussed the use of the t-test as part of the background comparison. It states that the t-test was conducted only when there were at least 20 percent detect. This restriction on the use of the test should be explained. If one-half the sample quantization limit is used as a proxy value for non-detects then the t-test can be used for all datasets.  Additionally, the text states that the t-test was not conducted on data sets containing fewer than 20 samples. This is also an arbitrary requirement. While the power of the t-test, or any statistical test, increases with increasing sample size, a data set with fewer than 20 samples may still be large enough to be used in the statistical analysis. For example, the following data sets have fewer than 20 samples:  Surfaces soil: Background radionuclides, cadmium, and mercury	The text of Appendix A of this document reflects how the t-test was applied for OUS and is consistent with "Guide for Conducting Statistical Comparison of PFAS Data and Background Data at Rocky Flats Plant," Appendix A of the August 1994 Final Human Health Risk Assessment Template.	

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M	A 5	Appendix A, Fourth Paragraph (cont.)	Groundwater OU 5 radionuclides (total and dissolved), OU 5 metals (total and dissolved), background total radionuclides 226, dissolved radionuclides 241 and dissolved radionuclides 238/240.  Other data sets also have fewer than 30 samples. For the most part, the 1 test could have been applied and would have produced accurate results. The methodology surrounding the use of the 8-test should be more fully explained.		

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☐ No Comments  
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M	2-4		Please strike the underlined phrase in the sentence "Organic contaminants were assumed to be anthropogenic in origin and attributable to background, therefore, any organic contaminant detected is considered a potential contaminant of concern (PCOC) -"	Phrase deleted, also deleted the spelling out of PCOC (spelled out previously)	
M	2-15		The text on this page states that the construction worker exposure to subsurface soil rather than residential exposure to subsurface soil was assumed. However, Table 4-4, lists residential RBC values. The Division believes that Table 4-4 is correct and that the text should be made consistent with the table	The sentence referring to the construction worker will be deleted. Surface soil will be changed to soil in the preceding sentence	
M		Table 4-4	The RBC for 2-Methylphenol was listed instead of the RBC for 4-Methyl-2-Pentanone. Table 4-4 should be changed to correctly list the RBC for 4-Methyl-2-Pentanone	The RBC, will be corrected to 2.2 E+4 for 4-Methyl-2-Pentanone	

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M	2-15		The Division is concerned about the application of professional judgement after the concentration-toxicity screen. The use of professional judgement was discussed at the 12/7/94 OU 5 meeting, and EG&G and subcontractors doing the COC selection process agreed to move the professional judgement step before the concentration-toxicity screen. This document needs to be revised accordingly.	The COC TM will be updated to include professional judgement during the background comparison step	
M			At the 12/7/94 meeting, EG&G and contractors also agreed to send the Division copies of the histograms, box plots, maps, etc., especially for those chemicals which were eliminated by professional judgement. This has not yet occurred, but needs to occur before the revised version of this TM is submitted to the Division for review.	Appendix A was revised to include, as appropriate, box plots, histograms, and other graphical presentations of the data for constituents that were either eliminated or included as PCOCs on the basis of the graphs.	

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M	4-7		There has been a considerable amount of discussion concerning the presence of manganese oxides and whether or not this is a naturally occurring material. The Division believes that these oxides should be screened in the same manner as all other analytes, including previously agreed-upon background comparison methods, before alternate professional judgment methods are applied. In contrast, however, DOE continues to compare the metal with the range of background values in order to eliminate it as a COC. We do not think this is appropriate. Let's let the numbers that emerge from the agreed-upon methodology speak for themselves before departing into the contentious world of professional judgment.	Appendix A was revised to reflect the re-evaluation of the results of the statistical tests and graphics. The re-evaluation resulted in manganese and lead being identified as PCOCs. Therefore the discussion regarding the presence of manganese oxides has been deleted from the text. It should be noted that the August 1994 Final Human Health Risk Assessment Template allows for the application of professional judgment to ascertain whether a contaminant identified by the statistical tests as being present in concentrations exceeding background constitutes contamination. It should also be noted that Gilbert and other statisticians were against applying any statistical tests in a cookbook fashion without employing professional judgment to determine if the results make sense scientifically (for example, see R. O. Gilbert and J.C. Sharpson, 1992, <i>Statistical Methods for Evaluating the Attainment of Cleanup Standards</i> , Volume 3, Reference-Based Standards for Soils and Solid Media, prepared for the EPA, Statistical Policy Branch.)	

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M	5-5		Groundwater. EG&G stated in the 12/7/94 meeting that they would supply $r^2$ values so that Division can better evaluate these correlations. This has not yet occurred, but needs to occur before the revised version of this TM is submitted to the Division for review.	The text and figures of Section 5.0 were revised to include correlation coefficients for metals and total suspended solids (TSS), as appropriate	
M	5-8		Groundwater: Please clarify when, and under what rationale, beryllium was removed from the COC list. It was in the list of PCOCs and was responsible for 84.4% of the carcinogenic risk in the concentration-toxicity screen. No rationale for its elimination as a COC was discussed, yet it is not in the final list of COCs	The omission of beryllium from the discussion of metals concentrations versus TSS was an error. The professional judgement section for groundwater (now Section 5.1) was revised to address beryllium.	

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M	8-6		<p>Pond sediments: Manganese was eliminated as a COC in pond sediments based primarily on an argument that the concentrations in the six pond sediment samples were all below the maximum concentrations detected for both background stream sediments and background seep sediments (in the absence of any background data for pond sediments). They were all below the UTL 99/99 indicating no hot spots. However, the Gehan test indicated a significant difference between pond and stream sediment concentrations and the t-test indicated a significant difference between pond and seep sediments. Thus both a nonparametric ANOVA test and this t-test indicate that the means are significantly different. This difference in means should be the criteria used for comparison, rather than the comparison with a background range. In addition, because the background sediment values were collected in streams and seeps, which may not be strictly comparable to pond sediments, it may be more prudent not to eliminate chemicals using this type of rationale</p>	<p>The discussion of metals concentrations in pond sediments was revised to more closely reflect the results of the statistical tests. Due to the lack of comparable background data for pond sediments, a conservative approach to identifying PCOCs for pond sediments was used. This approach resulted in retaining all inorganic species identified as exceeding background concentrations for either stream sediments or seep sediments as PCOCs. Please note that the results of the t-test for pond sediments are no longer reported in Appendix A. As is discussed in "Guide for Conducting Statistical Comparison of RE/RI Data and Background Data at Rocky Flats Plant," Appendix A of the August 1984 Final Human Health Risk Assessment Template, the t-test is not appropriate for use with a data set containing less than 20 data points. The other inferential statistical tests were applied as appropriate, for pond sediments</p>	
M	9-5		Seep sediments. Please clarify the rationale for eliminating antimony and beryllium as COCs	The text of Section 9.0 was revised to reflect that antimony and beryllium are being retained as PCOCs	

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G			General Comment: The Division believes that all parties need to keep in mind that Woman Creek is the sink for the whole southern part of the plant. Therefore, we need to consider more than just sources and contaminants found within OU 5. Even though it may be true that metals are naturally occurring, we believe it would be better to retain chemicals as COCs, exercise less professional judgement to eliminate them, and evaluate the risk of what is there. Once again, let's let the numbers speak for themselves.	As indicated in the responses to several of the comments above, the evaluations of the statistical tests described in Appendix A and the professional judgement for each medium have been revised, as appropriate, to further justify the inclusion or elimination of constituents as PCOCs. The result of this re-evaluation has been the inclusion of more constituents as PCOCs and, subsequently, as COCs.	

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## **STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF DATA**

- Statistical tests were not used when < 20% detects in either background or OU5 data sets
- Gehan Test
- Slippage Test
- Quantile Test
  - Not used when there were any non-detects among the top 20% of measurements
- t-Test
  - Not used when data sets contain less than 20 points or data are not normally distributed
- Graphics (box-and-whisker, histograms, etc.) used to support results of statistical tests

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## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - SURFACE SOILS

### Inorganic Analytes Determined to be Statistically Above Background

- Americium-241
  - Uranium-233/234
  - Uranium-238
  - Cobalt
  - Lead
  - Silver
  - Plutonium-239/240
  - Uranium-235
  - Antimony
  - Copper
  - Mercury
  - Zinc
- Americium-241 and antimony retained based on graphics
  - Uranium-235, lead, mercury, silver, and zinc retained based on hot-measurement test

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## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - SUBSURFACE SOILS

### Inorganic Analytes Determined to be Statistically Above Background

• Americium-241	• Plutonium-239/240
• Uranium-233/234	• Uranium-235
• Uranium-238	• Antimony
• Beryllium	• Cadmium
• Chromium	• Cobalt
• Copper	• Iron
• Lead	• Molybdenum
• Nickel	• Silver
• Zinc	

- Antimony, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, molybdenum, nickel and silver retained based on hot-measurement test
- Calcium, potassium, sodium, and strontium concentrations in background greater than in OU5
- Distributions of arsenic, barium and manganese in background and OU5 are similar

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## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - GROUNDWATER

### Inorganic Analytes Determined to be Statistically Above Background

• Americium-241 (total)	• Plutonium-238 (total)
• Plutonium-239/240 (total)	• Radium-226(total, dissolved)
• Strontium-89/90 (total, dissolved)	
• Uranium-233/234 (total)	• Uranium-235 (total, dissolved)
• Uranium-238 (total, dissolved)	
• Aluminum (total)	• Arsenic (total, dissolved)
• Barium (total, dissolved)	• Beryllium (total)
• Cadmium (total)	• Calcium (total, dissolved)
• Chromium (total)	• Cobalt (total, dissolved)
• Copper (total)	• Iron (total, dissolved)
• Lead (total)	• Lithium (total)
• Magnesium (total, dissolved)	• Manganese (total, dissolved)
• Mercury (total)	• Molybdenum (total)
• Nickel (total)	• Potassium (total, dissolved)
• Silicon (total)	• Silver (total)
• Strontium (total, dissolved)	• Tin (total)
• Vanadium (total)	• Zinc (total)

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### **STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - GROUNDWATER (CONT.)**

- Total arsenic, beryllium, cadmium, cobalt, mercury, and silver retained based on results of hot-measurement test
- Total molybdenum and tin and dissolved arsenic and cobalt retained based on graphics
- Distributions of total selenium in background and OU5 samples similar, therefore total selenium eliminated
- Concentration of total and dissolved sodium higher in background than in OU5

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### **STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - SURFACE WATER**

#### **Inorganic Analytes Determined to be Statistically Above Background**

- Americium-241 (total)
- Uranium-233/234 (total, dissolved)
- Uranium-238 (total, dissolved)
- Barium (total, dissolved)
- Calcium (total, dissolved)
- Iron (dissolved)
- Lithium (total, dissolved)
- Magnesium (total, dissolved)
- Sodium (total, dissolved)
- Strontium (total, dissolved)
- Dissolved iron retained based on hot-measurement test
- Distributions of plutonium-239/240 in background and OU5 similar, therefore plutonium-239/240 eliminated

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## **STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - SEEP WATER**

### **Inorganic Analytes Determined to be Statistically Above Background**

- **No inorganic analytes determined to be significant**



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## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - POND SEDIMENTS

### Inorganic Analytes Determined to be Statistically Above Background

• Americium-241	• Plutonium-239/240
• Uranium-233/234	• Uranium-235
• Uranium-238	• Aluminum
• Arsenic	• Barium
• Beryllium	• Calcium
• Chromium	• Cobalt
• Copper	• Iron
• Lead	• Lithium
• Magnesium	• Manganese
• Mercury	• Nickel
• Potassium	• Strontium
• Vanadium	• Zinc

- Mercury retained based on hot-measurement test
- Concentrations of selenium in background higher than OU5



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## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - SEEP SEDIMENTS

### Inorganic Analytes Determined to be Statistically Above Background

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|-------------------|---------------|
| • Uranium-233/234 | • Uranium-235 |
| • Uranium-238     | • Antimony    |
| • Beryllium       | • Nickel      |
| • Potassium       | • Zinc        |

- Antimony retained based on hot-measurement test

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## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS - STREAM SEDIMENTS

### Inorganic Analytes Determined to be Statistically Above Background

- Americium-241
- Tritium
- Copper
- Selenium
- Plutonium-239/240
- Arsenic
- Mercury
- Zinc
- Copper, mercury and zinc retained based on hot-measurement test

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## **APPLICATION OF PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT**

### **SURFACE SOILS**

- Highest concentrations in samples from central portion of Original Landfill (IHSS 115) - associated with relatively high concentrations of organics in surface soils and other media
- No metals or radionuclides identified by statistical analysis eliminated

### **SUBSURFACE SOILS**

- Iron eliminated because it is an essential nutrient
- Close association of metals and radionuclides with waste identified during drilling
- No other metals or radionuclides identified by statistical analysis eliminated

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## **APPLICATION OF PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT**

### **GROUNDWATER**

- Due to limited number of samples, spatial and temporal analysis is difficult
- Calcium, iron and magnesium eliminated because they are essential nutrients
- Cesium-137 and strontium-89/90 eliminated - fission products with no known history of production at RFETS
- No other metals or radionuclides identified by statistical analysis eliminated

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## **APPLICATION OF PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT**

### **SURFACE WATER**

- Calcium, magnesium and sodium eliminated because they are essential nutrients
- Barium, lithium and strontium increase with distance downstream - retained for further evaluation
- Highest activities of most radionuclides in sampling stations within SID - retained for further evaluation
- No other metals or radionuclides identified by statistical analysis eliminated

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## **APPLICATION OF PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT**

### **SEEP WATER**

- No further evaluation of inorganics

### **POND SEDIMENTS**

- Calcium, iron and magnesium eliminated because they are essential nutrients
- No clear distribution of inorganics within either pond or between ponds
- No other metals or radionuclides identified by statistical analysis eliminated

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## **APPLICATION OF PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT**

### **SEEP SEDIMENTS**

- Potassium eliminated because it is essential nutrient
- Limited number of samples precludes meaningful evaluation of spatial distribution
- No other metals or radionuclides identified by statistical analysis eliminated

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### **APPLICATION OF PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT**

#### **STREAM SEDIMENTS**

- Arsenic concentrations increase with distance downstream in Woman Creek (WC) and SID - retained as PCOC
- Copper, mercury and zinc concentrations relatively high in SID but relatively constant in WC - retained as PCOCs
- Selenium concentrations remain relatively constant with distance downstream and most at or below detection limit - eliminated as PCOC
- Americium-241, plutonium-239/240, and tritium activities relatively high in SID and remain relatively constant in WC - retained as PCOCs



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(1) Steustaken is getting in for Rust Munchow, DOE, Ed Macat will not be at Ythua mtg.

(2) Dec 7, 1995 date

Open Items

(a) HSS 209 - 1 mt of Rev - will include

in Environmental Section of RA

Diane discussed w/ Joe

CR discussed (phone) w/ Joe

& he concurred

(b) Steustaken Risk Assessment

for HSS 115 & 196 - CDPHE's

approved idea on open issues:

OS - should we study w/ trad RA appr - make Kelly - already completed

work in EATM

Bonnie - clear guidance on PE standards

Maylie - comparison of MCR's

win - ARAR's analysis

Bugby - the recent may

change to FS the PE

of the England to an

FS which change RA

back to traditional

anyway

Bonnie

Rust decision - do we have to do

anything? what does it?

Bugby

Diane - discussed w/ Joe and he is

looking for flexibility in project

Bonnie - Region 8 covers for RFE scenario -

make Kelly - ARAR's analysis to

identify the heavy metals

& move through the RA to

risk cases.

Bonnie & win - if you go Ythua Jan,

might as well do Trad RA

Bugby & Maylie - <sup>powerful</sup> must be

further looked at

Bonnie - has Fred recently been doing

bugby - no, not ready to make that decision

OS - at Ythua time, want to be more aggressive

do as not to have to be so slow the time.

Bonnie - ARAR's make expensive

demands

Cent - "Accidental?"

Bonnie - whatever is reasonable

Bugby - will document a DHA in

the Jan Kennedy so it is a

defensible justification

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per media continued  
(u) outburst and

(c) outlying area soil

manganese is an essential nutrient (Rosen 8) & a

comparison w/ RDA may

### Thruout context

(iii) Girl  
(iv) Suo

any) are taken

no indigenous analytical techniques

to be significant

(vii) Deep Sediments

- graphica supplied stat teata

- low sample size, no returned

- 2 corps in LHS 115, one on each

audience size of central part

19 Canyon Blvd NW, rm 115

(viii) stream sediments  
- taken on the SLD

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# ~~Response to Comments on Professional~~ Judgement - see overhead handouts

- (i) surf soil
- (ii) subsurf soil
- (iii) GW

correlation coef of tot metals

$n=3$

(iv) SW

Bonnie - is SW still being collected?  
- ERA will probably do high/low comparison with HHR?

Doug - HDS does do high/low/low flow comparisons

(v) deep sediments

(vi) stream sediments

## ~~Summary Resp to Comm Sheets~~

ref pg A-1 Uqual

ref in data eval ~~and~~ guidance

by Jan 13

Friday - verbal agreement from

Bonnie & Carl that comment

response are OK or how they need to be changed.

CB - need letter re get w/ MC core log bucket

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X Bonnie Cavelle ~~Bonnie~~ Steve Slater for Kunt  
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X Carl Spreng ~~Carl Spreng~~ Muenchou, DOE ~~John~~

CB